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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 6, 2002 (Paper No. 2), please amend the above-identified U.S. Patent application as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 1-25 without prejudice.

Please rewrite claims 26, 34, 39, 44, 47 and 49 as shown in the Replacement Claims:

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